



SC Annual School  
Report Card  
Summary

Fairfield Magnet School of Math and Science  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
Grades: PK-6 Enrollment: 353  
Principal: Shayera L. Whitfield, Ed.S  
Superintendent: J.R. Green  
Board Chair: Beth Reid

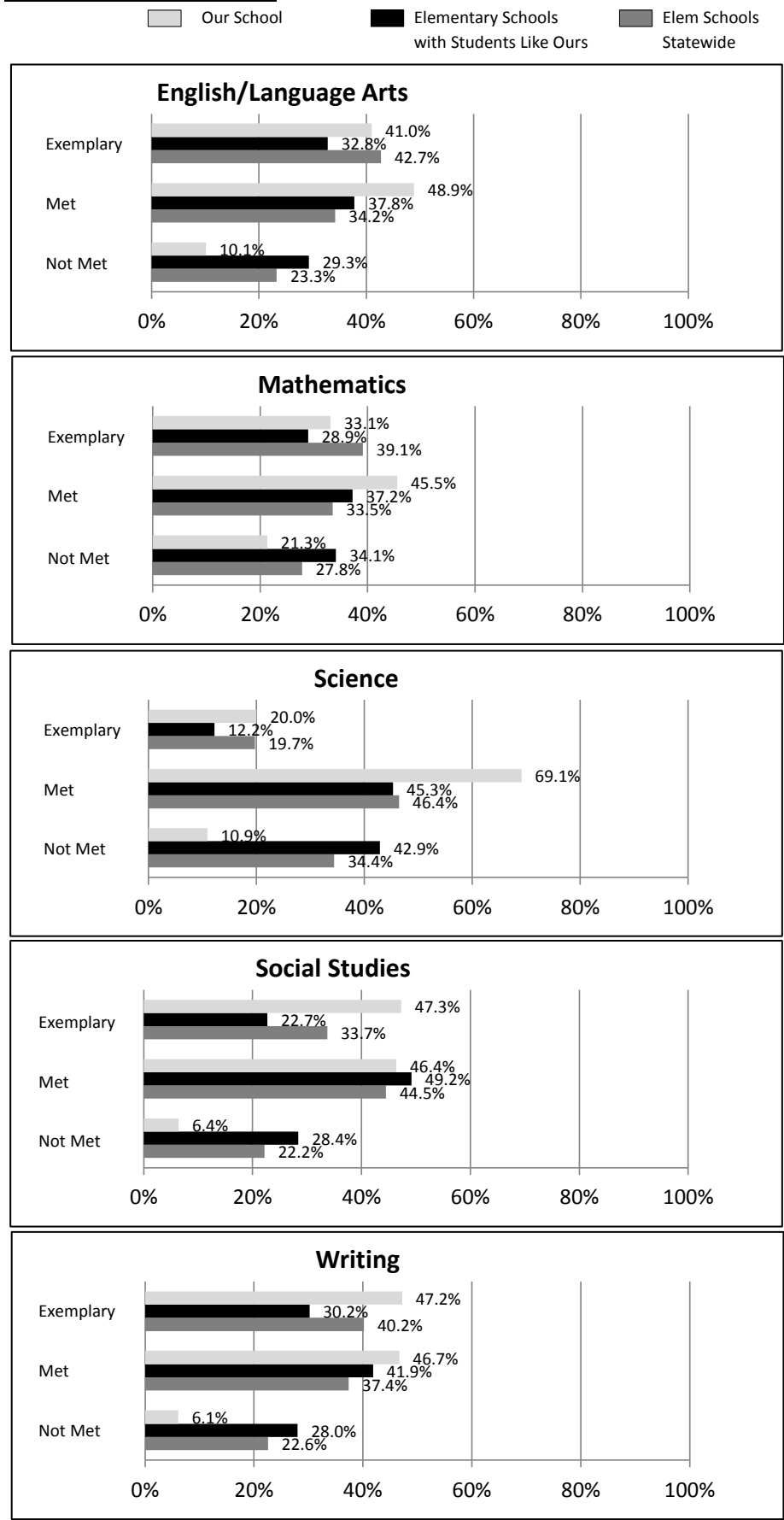
PERFORMANCE		Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on <a href="http://www.ed.sc.gov">www.ed.sc.gov</a> and <a href="http://www.eoc.sc.gov">www.eoc.sc.gov</a> as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.				
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	A	Reward
2013	Excellent	Average	GOLD	N/A	A	Reward
2012	Good	Excellent	GOLD	N/A	A	Reward

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
9	14	117	12	3

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

SC PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

N/A-Not Applicable N/AV-Not Available N/C-Not Collected N/R-Not Reported I/S-Insufficient Sample TBD-To Be Determined

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
Students (n = 353)				
Retention rate	0.0%	No change	1.4%	1.0%
Attendance rate	98.0%	Up from 97.5%	96.1%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	16.9%	Down from 17.1%	4.6%	7.3%
With disabilities	9.0%	Down from 9.4%	13.4%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	2.4%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 30)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	56.7%	Down from 62.1%	60.6%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	60.0%	Down from 72.4%	79.4%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.4%	Up from 77.1%	86.7%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	Up from 95.3%	95.1%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,336	Down 4.1%	\$46,919	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	4.6 days	Down from 12.0 days	11.0 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	12.8 to 1	Down from 12.9 to 1	19.0 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.8%	Up from 91.2%	90.0%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,979	Up 15.4%	\$8,059	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.3%	Down from 65.0%	65.9%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.6%	Up from 60.0%	64.9%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	95.2	Down from 99.2	78.4	85.7

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.  
\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	29	51	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	90.2%	95.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	88.7%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	86.8%	60.8%

\*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science continues to demonstrate success by providing an education that is engaging, innovative, and rigorous to students in child development- sixth grade. We pride ourselves on continuously striving to “Opening Minds Through the Academics and the Arts with a diligent focus on implementing the arts into the classroom and the core content into the arts. We also provided opportunities for students to enjoy the science, technology, engineering, and math components of STEAM in our school.

Our students continue to show the academic growth needed for their success in mastery of the common core state standards. The students accepted responsibility for their learning and worked very hard to achieve goals set for them. Goals met by students would not have been possible without the continuous support from home, dedication by teachers and staff each day. PTO, and School Improvement Council worked diligently with administrators to review schools initiatives and improvements in order to positively affect the school’s learning environment and foster relationships within the community to ensure student success.

We are proud to have received the 2014 Palmetto Finest and Palmetto Gold Showcase school. Our faculty, staff, community, and students were very proud of these recognitions. Our school received Palmetto Gold for three consecutive years and is the first school to have received Palmetto Finest in the history of the district. These two highly recognized accomplishments prove that teaching and learning is our top priority.

Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science provided opportunities for our students, families and communities to come together outside the classroom to showcase the success of our students in other areas that enhanced learning and engaged students in fun standards-based activities such as: STEAM Day, Midland Math Met, Family Literacy Night, Family Math and Science Night, and Real Parents Read. During our winter/spring Celebrations and PTO meetings, the students’ performances showcased their artistic, musical, and instrumental talents. Many of our students received recognition or their outstanding art work at community events, Beta Club Convention, Arts on the Ridge, and Rockin’ Runway Runaway.

We know that an exciting 2014-2015 school year await us! Our dedicated staff is always ready to meet the needs of our future leaders as we are “Full STEAM Ahead with Opening Minds through the Academics and the Arts.”

Shayera L. Whitfield, Ed.S, Principal

Yoshimi Miller, SIC Chairperson